ARRESTED FOR MURDER

Maryland Woman Charged With Killing Her Husband.

Finding of the Coroner's Jury in the Case of Captain Condiff, Who Was Mysteriously Stain in His Hed-The Prisoner's Version of the Affair. Damaging Testimeny Brought Out.

SOLOMON'S ISLAND, Md., Sept. 17 .- The six hundred inhabitants of Solomon's Island, as well as hundreds who live on the mainland of Calvert and St. Mary's counties, are intensely excited over the murder of Capt. Littleton T. Candiff, who was shot Thursday morning, September 13, while asleep in his bed at his home on the island. He died of a wound in the head Friday afternoon, September 14.

Part of the mystery surrounding the case was cleared up by the inquest begun Saturday and completed yesterday. A well-developed elew pointing to murder was obtained, upon which several theories were built. The verdict of Coroner Files' jury that Captain Condiff came to his death at the hands of his wife, Bessie Condiff, was immediately followed by the arrest of the woman upon the order of State's attorney J. Frank Parran, charging her with the murder of her husband. She was taken yesterday afternoon to Prince Frederick, and will be taken to Baltimore today by Detective I. Spandauer.

The coolness and courage of Mrs. Condiff under the circumstances is remarkable and astonished the authorities in charge of the case. She tells a straightforward story, sticks to it, and gives no sign of weakening, in spite of the fact that evidence of the most damaging sort was brought out against her at the inquest, and later facts have been recalled to corroborate the theorics of both the State's attorney and detective.

The whole island is inclined to believe the woman guilty, and the feeing runs high. In the history of Solomon's Island, from the days of the oldest settlers, there from the days of the oldest settlers, there is no record of such a crime as this, and since Thursday it has been the one subject of conversation among the residents. The murder on Thursday, the arrival of the detective, the inquest and funeral yesterday, together with the arrest of the woman in the afternoon, stirred this part of Calvert county as it has never been before.

The Doctor's Testimony.

The inquest was opened by the testimony of Dr. W. H. Marsh, who performed an autopsy and swore to finding a .32-calibre pistol ball in the brain.

He then testified that the nature of the wound clearly showed the following facts: First, that the pistol had been held within six inches of the man's head when it was fired; second, that he was shot while sleeping, his eyes being closed: third, that he was shot in the side of the head next to his wife, who claims to have been in bed at the time. He also stated he was summoned to the house about 1 o'clock by Harris Condiff, who told him that his father had been shot. Upon his arrival at the Condiff house Dr. Marsh found Mrs. Condiff moaning by the side of her husband. She told the doctor there was no pistol in the house. She had been awakened by a noise in the room, but saw no one. Dr. Marsh was positive that the pistol was held directly over the right eye of the man and that the person who fired did so from the right side of the bed. States's Attorney Parran saw the importance of the evidence and brought out the ulter impids/billty of the shot having been fired from the window or from the side of the bed, legan, were her, and hold; the pistol perpendicularly. He called the attention of the fury to the improbability of anyone actuated by desire to rob or kill to do so in this way and then be able to get out off the house without being seen by Mrs. Condiff.

Mrs. Pessie Condiff was called to the stand, and for nearly an hour answered with perfect composure the numerous questions. It was the first time since the death of her husband that she could be induced to talk, and she appeared to do so without reserve. Mrs. Condiff said that her husband that she could be induced to talk, and she appeared to do so without reserve. Mrs. Condiff said that her husband had given her to be all the new the picces of the pictor of the bediened to talk, and she appeared to do so without reserve. Mrs. Condiff said that her husband had given her to be all the new the picces and three the picces and three the pictor of the house without person had a present to the first time since the death of her husband that she could be induced to wound clearly showed the following facts:

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saw et once something was the matter. The thief was never discovered.

Mr. Moore, who lost \$100, as stated, said I thought he had had another attack of lamp, and we all saw what had happened. When I was aroused by the shot I saw When I was aroused by the shot I saw no one either in the room or leaving it, nor did I hear any other sound. Wh n I cent to look for the money under the lattress it had disappeared. The other \$100 I have sewed in my skirt.

Capt. J. W. Lusby and Mrs. Lusby, neighbors of the Condiffs, testified Capt.
Lusby swore he heard the shot, and that
Mrs. Condiff did not scream until five minutes later. Mrs. Lusby heard the scream
and ran across to her neighbor, whom she found already dressed and not greatly agitated. She staved with Mrs. Condiff until

Webster, who lives in the next house or the north side. She stated to the jury that on Wednesday afternoon Mrs. Condiff came to her house and said she wanted to talk to her. "She had never been in my house before," said Mrs. Webster, "and I thought it very unusual. But I went downstairs. and she at once asked me if my husband was a member of the Independent Order of Heptasophs. I told her no, and she said \$2,000, and she was greatly worried, as she had heard a number of members had drop-ped out. She talked for some time about other things, and just before she left said she had a heavy burden on her mind and did not know what she would do."

The Son's Evidence.

the house. His mother had told him he said, that she had \$200, in order that she case, also, was on the side of the head should know it if anything happened to nearest where the wife lay.

Perry Evans, fr., stated that last Unrist-mas he sold Harris Condiff a .32-calibre being in charge of the Heptasophs. Perry Evans, fr., stated that last Christ-

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Wednesday night to buy oysters for planting anh had asked me for \$100. She gave him the money, and claims that he placed the money between the mattress of or his side of the bed, after which they retired for the night.

I thought he had had another attack of vertigo, and screamed for help. My son, Harris, and my mother, who slept upstairs rame down. My mother lit the Mrs. Condiff showed the money sewed up in her skirt, which tallied exactly with the denominations of the money lost by Mr. Moore, including the greasy note.

> The theory of State's Attorney Parran is that Mrs. Condiff got both Mr. Moore's and Mr. Evans' money; that she was afraid to spend it on the island or show it to her husband; that he either found it out and accused her or she, in her desire to spend the money, killed her husband in order to say she got it from him and knew nothing of it.

Detective Spendauer advances the opinion that she was given the money by her husband and made away with part of it When Captain Condff asked for the money the was unable to give it to him and killed him during the night in order to protect herself from him.

Neither Mr. Parran nor Mr. Spandauer doubts the guilt of the woman. Sheriff Long, in searching the house, found an mmense pile of paper-back books con taining detective stories of the dime-novel variety. Mrs. Condiff was known all over the island as a great reader of these novals She is about forty-five years old, or a reculiar disposition and has had but few friends. She is subjected to epileptic fits and is of spare build. She was never

known to quarrel with her husband, and Harris Condiff, aged seventeen practi-ally corroborated his mother's testimocally corroborated his mother's testimony, denying all knowledge of a pistol in at Towson last year of killing her husat Towson last year of killing her hus-band while he slept. The wound in this

at 9 a. m. yesterday, the funeral services

Country Thirty two Vears Aco-An Young Lawyer Saves His Client.

NEW YORK, Sept. 17.—Struck down three weeks ago in front of his home by a mysterious assailant, Michael Murphy, who was thrice sentenced to hang for a murder of which he was innocent, is dead in Union When Governor Robinson came into of When Governor Robinson came into of the Mr. Bully hid before him unquestion. Mrs. Condiff's Story.

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I house is one of the smallest and poorest in the place. Two months ago Thomas Moore was robbed of \$100, which he left in his house on Sunday night. Shortly dearing have been dearly a loud noise. I rose up in bed and of the Condiffs, was robbed of a like sum. Hill, N. J. He was the fifth person who figured in a series of sensational crimes, dating back thirty-two years, and involving pardon was granted. The Governor's son county, and the Atlantic Ocean, to meet a pris the chief actors in this remarkable trag- ion Hill, N. J.

> Murphy's sister, who was a widow with fortune of \$75,000 when she married Gamble, by her death from poisoning, in 1868 forged the first link in this chain of crime. She was living in Union Hill with her two brothers, Michael and Thomas, when she met Gamble. In order to get him away from his evil associates she bought a farm in Rockland county, near Nanuel, and a few weeks after her marriage, or in May, 1868, moved there with

Mrs. Gamble died suddenly three months later, her husband concealing the fact from her family. Accompanied by a Mrs. Hujus a woman of unsavory reputation, who lived under the same roof with his wife, Gamble two days later quietly brought the dead woman's body to Greenwood Cemetery and buried it. Immediately after the burial Gamble recorded in the register's office in this city a deed to all his wife's property,

one of Mrs. Gamble's relatives three weeks later heard of her death, and reported it to Michael Murphy. He callstel the services of Henry Daily, jr., then a rising young lawyer, and as a result of from Coroner Flavin. of Brooklyn, for the disinterment of Mrs. Gamble's bady. Prof. R. Ogden Doremus, who analyzed senous element of opium, in sufficient sonous element of opium, in sufficient quantity to have caused death. Gamble and Mrs. Hujus were then arrested, charged with murder. At the preliminary hearing Prof. Doremus testified to the finding of the poison, while the servant who was with Mrs. Gamble when she died told of Gamble having given to her a wineglassful of a dark brown liquid.

After the hearing the presiding judge invited Mr. Daily to remain with him for supper. The judge is reported to have told Mr. Daily that Gamble had offered him \$5,000 to dismiss the charge against him and Mrs. Hujus. When Mr. Paily expressed astonishment at his statement the judge laughed and said all the money in Rock-land county could not make him forget

his duty.

When the case came up for hearing again, two weeks later, the judge caused a sensation by refusing to take any more evidence and discharging the prisoners. Mr. Daily openly accused the judge of accepting the \$5,000 bribe. Gamble and Mrs. Hujus, after they ad been released, went to live in a cottage near Nanuet. The woman was shot and killed on the night of April 19,

1874. Michael and Thomas Murphy were

Death of a Man Who Was Thrice
Sentenced to Be Hanged.

A Series of Crimes That Startled the Country Thirty-two Years Aro An

Country Thirty-two Years Ago—An a revolver, one of the clambers of which had been discharged. He alleged that Three Times Condemned to Die—A Murphy had also shot him and that he took up the revolver and fired one shot at him as he ran out of the house. He admitted that a three-year-old child who called him papa had called out to him

pleaded with his father to allow birn to carry the precious paper to Sing Sing prison, where he handed it to Murphy. Murphy then returned to his home in Un-

edy, died a quarter of a century ago in moved to Brooklyn. Formerly a large man, he dwindled to a shadow, took to his bed and died in four days

Soon after Murphy's trial a Mrs. Jerey, of Rockland county, drew \$9,000 from bank and took passage on a steamer for exas. Dr. Gerard B. Hammond, of Spring Valley to whose testimony Murphy

Mrs. Jersey was taken suddenly ill on the steamer and was buried at sea. Dr. Hammond, who had attended her, disappeared when the steamer reached port.

Mrs. Jersey's friends enquired into her death, but could find no trace of the \$9,000. Investigation was begun by the police, but Dr. Hammond, who was finally discov-ered, cut it short by committing suicide. Prof. Doremus, to whom all the details

of this strange story are familiar, ex-pressed regret yesterday when he heard of Murphy's death. "He was one of the most honest men I ever met," he added. "Though he was innocent of the murder of Mrs. Hujus he would have hanged had i en for the untiring energy of Mr

A New Railroad Chartered. CHARLESTON, W. Va., Sept. 17 .- A charter has been issued to the Paw Faw

Railroad Company, with principal office in Fairmont, W. Va. The road is to begin at Fairmont and run thence by the most practicable route in a northerly direction along the west bank of the Monongaiela River to Paw Faw Creek, thence along the banks of that stream to Fairview, in Ma-rion county. The capital subscribed is \$25,000, divided into shares valued at \$100 The incorporators are: B. Fleming, Hon, John W. Maso and U. N. Arn West Virginia. U. N. Arnett, jr., all of Fairmont

Suicide of a Colored Servant. DENTON, Md., Sept. 17 .- Saturday evening Florence Holliday, colored, aged six-

teen years, a servant in the family of William D. Taylor, in Caroline county, while in a fit of despondency, to which she was subject, took a large dose of strychnine. Some time after she had taken the poison Mrs. Taylor was informed and a physician vas summoned and emetics administered. All efforts to save the girl were in vain and she died in about two and a hali

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Practice Not to Be Allowed at Johns Hopkins University.

Authorities Determined to Prevent Many of the Professors Still Absent on Important Missions-Build- the summer with his family at Charmian, ings Renovated-New Laboratory.

BALTIMORE, Sept. 17.-There is to be no hazag at Johns Hopkins University Griffin have determined that the practice pation of the rebuilt chemical laboratory shall be discontinued, and every effort will be made upon the opening of the university to detect and punish those Men's Christian Association rooms wil students who disobey the order that has make them much more attractive. been issued against college prants Formerly the opening of the university

was the signal for a war between the freshmen and the upper classmen. The older collegians would lie in wait for the newcomers in the vicinity of McCoy Hall, or even in the university buildings, and conditions bordering on riot would ensue. The freshmen would be boldly carried to the fraternity houses, and office and bank burglar, was arrested put through various humiliating experiences. A favorite trick was to paint the freshman's face green, and then James, acting under the direction of Chief march him through the streets, with his Inspector John D. Kink and Pinkerton Detrousers rolled up and amid an ear splitting din. Victims were placed under shower boths without removing the Victims were placed unclothing, or sent through the city with green bags fied over their heads. Some time ago the university authori-

ties determined to break up these pra ties determined to break up these practices, and they stationed policemen at points where the students were in the habit of congregating for their revels. Numerous arrests were made and penalties were inflicted. Most of the students began to reclive that such exists a such as the students. began to realize that such episcdes were harmful to the good name of the university, and hazing was largely abandoned, but at the opening of each college year there is a disposition to remew the practice.

It is intended, however, that there

shall be absolutely no hazing this year.

The fall matriculation examination will begin Wedresday, September 26. The size of the incoming class cannot be determined until after the term opens, though judging from the June entrance examina-tins, it will be of average size. Dean Griffin will meet the new students several days before the beginning of the term and give advice relative to studies and deport ment. As usual they will be warne against all manner of hazing, and espe cially informed that breaking up class banquets will meet with expulsion of all persons detected. President Gilman will address the mem-

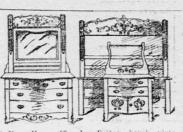
bers of the graduate departments on the opening day if he returns from Europe in time. The trustees' meeting will probably be held Monday, September 30, in order to ratify appointments and make arrangements for the year's work.

Many of the professors will not return until just before term opening. Prof Henry A. Rowland is in Paris with the ex hibit of the Rowland multiplex telegraph machine; Prof. Paul Haupt is in Germany engaged upon his polychrome Bible; Prof. A. Marshall Elliott-is engaged in Fraupon his edition of the Marie de France Fables, and Prof. James W. Bright is in England helping to arrange for the ann versary celebration of Alfred the Great

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Dr. Henry Wood is at Roaring Branch, Pa., and Dr. William K. Brooks has spent

A general renovation of the university buildings has just been completed and halls and rooms are in good shape. The corridors have been treated with a shin-ing coat of varnish and the walls have been cleaned and brightened. The occudestroyed by fire last fall, is a matter of

BANK BURGLAR CAPTURED.

Michigan Red" Arrested by New York Postoffice Authorities. NEW YORK, Sept. 17 .-- Charles Mar

tim alias Hartin Hawley, who is more widely known as "Michigan Red," and who is a notorious and desperate postin this city Saturday. The arrest was made by Postoffice Inspectors Jacobs and tectives Dougherty and Rogers. The ar rest took place in a restaurant in Third Avenue, near Twenty-fifth Street. Martin was locked up in Church Street station To Inspector Jacobs he acknowledged that he was the man wanted. The Inspector said that Martin wanted to plead to the charge of burglary against him as soon is possible and begin serving his sen

Martin is wanted to serve an unexpired term in the Monroe county penitentiary, in Rochester, from which he escaped about the first of this year. On Decem ber 23, 1899, Martin, together with another burglar, robbed the postoffice in Nunda, N. Y., after blowing open the safe with nitroglycerin. The burglars obtained \$540 from the safe. They were pursued by a posse and "Red" was arrested. His comrade escaped. A week after "Red" was taken to the Monroe county peniten iary he broke out.

Another crime, for which Martin i wanted was committed on May 24 last That night a band of bank burglars at acked the Peninsular Bank, in Willia burg, Va., and obbed it of \$5,500. A citizens of the town were awakened, hev formed a posse and surrounded the pank. The burglars realized that they were being surrounded, but continued at their task. Six charges of nitroglycerin were set off before the burglars had pened the inner steel chest that con ained the money. After securing this the burglars faced the posse and fought

heir way out of Williamsburg. One of the men implicated in the Wiltiamsburg burglary is Joseph Rapley, alias Joseph B. Evans, alias "Topeka Joe." He was arrested by Pinkerton detectives in Portland, Ore., on July 23 last, and was surrendered to the Virginia authorities. He was taken to Richmond, Va., and while waiting trial escaped from the Richmond

The authorities say that the photograph bout the country, was positively identited by a number of citizens of Williams-brg as that of the burglar who had belped in the robbery in their town. It is iso said that last winter Martin frequent-d the saloon of Joseph Rapley, in Bal-

Dr. Herbert B. Adams has been travel- him in the robbery of banks and postof-

Sheriff Ford of Monroe county of the ar rest of Martin, and received an answer to the effect that the sheriff wo to this city with papers for the prison er's return. It is said that the Virginia authorities will lodge a warrant for Martin with the warden of the Monroe county penitentiary, and when he finishes his term there he will be taken to Williams-burg for trial. Martin had a large sum of money in his possession when arrested

Death of Gen. W. H. Browne.

CHARLESTOWN, W. Va., Sept. 17.— Gen, William H. Browne, a retired Army died suddenly Sunday evening at the resi-lence of B. C. Washington, on Mildred Street, in this place. General Browne was well known and prominent in Wash-ington, where he had a large circle of friends. Together with his wife and some riends. Together with his whe and some relatives he was spending the summer in this place. His death is said to have been caused by heart disease. He was about seventy-two years of age. The remains will be taken to Washington for inter-

BAD BLOOD, BAD COMPLEXION.

ess variety of diseases. They are known by various names, but are all due to the same cause, acid and other poisons in the blood that irritate and interfere with

the proper action of the skin.

To have a smooth, soft skin, free from all cruptions, the blood must be kept pure and healthy. The many preparations of arsenic and potash and the large number of face powders and lotions generally used in this class of diseases cover up for a short time, but cannot remove manently the ugly blotches and the red, disfiguring pimples.

Eternal vigilance is the price of a beautiful complexion

when such remedies are relied on. Mr. H. T. Shobe, 2704 Lucas Avenue, St. Louis Mo., says: "My daughter was afflicted for years with a disfiguring eruption on her face, which with a disaguring ettiption on her face, which resisted all treatment. She was taken to two celebrated health springs, but received no bemedit. Many medicines were prescribed, but without result, until we decided to try S. S., and by the time the first bottle was finished the eruption began to disappear. A dozen bottles cured her completely and left her skin perfectly smooth. She is now seventeen years old, and not a sign of the embarrassing disease has ever returned." S. S. S. is a positive, unfailing cure for the worst forms of skin troubles. It is

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